

SERMON NOTES
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A Hard Time Miracle

1 Samuel 21:13, 14; 22:1; Psalm 34:1-22

A miracle in the heart!

"He learned obedience through the things he suffered." (Hebrews 5:8)

God is good, worthy of praise even when life is hard.

Acts 16:25; Romans 8:18

A strange song!

How does a person suffer setback and not grow bitter or discouraged?

- God is our Refuge

- God is our Rescue

The deepest question of life!

- God is our Righteousness

vs. 11-14 (1 Peter 3:10-12)

David spares Saul (1 Samuel 24)

1 Peter 1:3 "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

Does your soul sing this song?

Has God worked this miracle in your life?

1 Samuel 21:13, 14; 22:1; Psalm 34:1-22

¹³ So he disguised his sanity before them...and scribbled on the doors of the gate, and let his saliva run down into his beard.

¹⁴ Then Achish said to his servants, "Behold, you see the man behaving as a madman. Why do you bring him to me?"

^{22:1} So David departed from there and escaped to the cave of Adullam... ² Everyone who was in distress, and everyone who was in debt, and everyone who was discontented gathered to him; and he became captain over them. Now there were about four hundred men with him.

Psalm 34

¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. ² My soul will make its boast in the LORD; The humble will hear it and rejoice. ³ O magnify the LORD with me, And let us exalt His name together.

⁴ I sought the LORD, and He answered me, And delivered me from all my fears. ⁵ They looked to Him and were radiant, And their faces will never be ashamed. ⁶ This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him And saved him out of all his troubles. ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, And rescues them.

⁸ O taste and see that the LORD is good; How blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him! ⁹ O fear the LORD, you His saints; For to those who fear Him there is no want. ¹⁰ The young lions do lack and suffer hunger; But they who seek the LORD shall not be in want of any good thing.

¹¹ Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

¹² Who is the man who desires life And loves *length of days* that he may see good? ¹³ Keep your tongue from evil And your lips from speaking deceit. ¹⁴ Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it.

¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous And His ears are *open* to their cry. ¹⁶ The face of the LORD is against evildoers, To cut off the memory of them from the earth. ¹⁷ *The righteous cry*, and the LORD hears And delivers them out of all their troubles. ¹⁸ The LORD is near to the brokenhearted And saves those who are crushed in spirit.

¹⁹ Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the LORD delivers him out of them all. ²⁰ He keeps all his bones, Not one of them is broken. ²¹ Evil shall slay the wicked, And those who hate the righteous will be condemned. ²² The LORD redeems the soul of His servants, And none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.